

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I further find it despicable that this issue is being decided while the American public is distracted by 9/11 and the War on Terrorism. This issue is not in the public eye, and the American people would not approve if they fully understood the ramifications.